

# King's Oak Academy

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A very wet and windy week this week, bring back the lovely sun we had in February! Year 3 had a road safety workshop on Thursday which was very informative and useful, especially as the route to school is along very busy roads. Year 2 will be doing some practice SAT papers next week. These are nothing to worry about and just a chance for the children to get used to the style of questions that they will encounter in the real SATs. You don't need to do anything at home, just ensure they are well rested and fed! I hope you have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing you on Monday.

## EVENTS CALENDAR

Wednesday 20th March  
Class photos

Wednesday 27th March  
Dental survey

w/c 25th March  
Mother's Day wrap

Tuesday 2nd April  
Friends of King's Oak meeting  
6:30pm—all welcome

Thursday 4th April  
End of term 4 for children  
Cake sale—Autism Awareness

Friday 5th April  
INSET day—school closed to children

Tuesday 23rd April  
Start of term 5

Thursday 2nd May  
Speech and language drop in sessions

## Principal's Notice

Mr Clutterbuck comes over to the Acorn frequently throughout the week and spends time looking at the learning and speaking to the children. This week he has noticed:

I was blown away by the year 3s whole year drilling of the times tables. I've not seen this method before but it is proving highly effective. Not only are our Year 3s smashing their times tables, but their fluency across multiplication and division is excellent.

## Charms

Two charms have been found on the playground: a silver heart with lulu written on it and a silver baby carriage. If these belong to you please let Mrs Mignaud know and we can return them to their rightful owner.

## Pokemon cards

We have taken the decision to ban Pokemon cards from Monday. A lot of learning time is being wasted due to teachers having to investigate swap disputes or lost cards. If children are seen with cards from Monday they will be confiscated and returned to parents at the end of the day. Thank you for your support in enforcing this matter.



## Cake sale

It is World Autism Awareness Week from Monday 1<sup>st</sup> to Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April. To raise awareness and funds for the National Autistic Society, we will be holding a bake sale after school on **Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April** on the front playground (weather permitting). If you would like to donate any cakes to sell at the sale please bring them into school on the morning of the sale.



Your money will help the National Autistic Society support children with autism and their families by providing a variety of services. See you at the sale!

## Rainforest

Thank you to all of the Year 3 families for their donations; Year 3 have sponsored an acre of the rainforest to extend and protect the Choco-Andean Rainforest Corridor. The children are very proud of their contribution to saving the Rainforest.



## Mountain of learning

🌟 Kalla has chosen every extra challenge this week and inspired others to challenge themselves in their learning. 🌟 Kian has been a fantastic author and written cards and stories independently. 🌟 Stella has been a team work bee this week by helping her friends in their maths learning. 🌟 Archie has been a wise owl, learning his teen numbers and forming them correctly. 🌟 Jabou has been focusing really well in maths and literacy and is becoming much more independent. 🌟 Lillie-Mai is working so hard in everything, especially handwriting and sentence structure. 🌟 Kaleb has been putting 100% into everything and really takes pride in his learning. 🌟 Archie has been using some great adjectives to describe the characters and setting in Traction Man. 🌟 Lola S has been trying hard with her punctuation and sentence structure. 🌟 Zachary has used great adjectives in his Traction Man story. 🌟 Reagan inspired us this week whilst being an author, he was able to plan, rehearse and write a fantastic report about Florence Nightingale. 🌟 Zayn impressed Miss Eade by planning, rehearsing and producing a fantastic report about the Lady of the Lamp. 🌟 Ruby has impressed us this week by putting lots of effort into her learning. 🌟 Maisie-Anne has kept going when editing her report on Florence Nightingale. 🌟 Lexi has been working so hard at fractions this week, asking lots of questions to help her understanding. 🌟 Adeire has worked really hard this week, challenging himself to beat his score in the maths challenge. 🌟 Finley has been very focused in English when learning about inverted commas. 🌟 Lexie has worked hard on her descriptive writing of the giants.

Attendance award: Well done to Pine, Willow and Elm classes who all had 100% attendance —Brilliant, keep it up!

House point challenge: Olympus (yellow) were the best house this week.

## Mrs Travetti

Mrs Travetti (nee Houselander) is leaving at the end of term 4. On behalf of all the staff and children we would like to wish her well in her next venture.



## African Land Snails

We have 12 African Land snails looking for their forever homes. They live best in pairs but can live on their own. They have lived in year 1 since they were babies and are now outgrowing their enclosure. They will need: A small, clear container to live in; A soil change once a month; Fresh fruit and clean water 2-3 times a week.



If you would like to rehome an African Land Snail please speak to one of the year 1 team.